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In re Application of:
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For COMPUTER AND HUMAN READABLE PART MARKINGS AND SYSTEM AND METHOD USING SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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S I R:

In response to the Office Action dated 22 August 2002 please consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6 and 11.

Please amend the following claims as follows:

1(amended). A part marking comprising at least one multiplicity of machine-detectable marks arranged in accordance with two-dimensional redundant bit patterns, said at least one multiplicity of marks having an appearance to human vision resembling at least one character, and said two-dimensional redundant bit patterns comprising repeating patterns of a bit string forming a respective machine readable code corresponding to said at least one character.

2. (amended) The part marking as recited in claim 1, further comprising a plurality of respective multiplicities of machine-detectable marks arranged in accordance with said two-